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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

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Serial No. 10/652,314 **INFORMATION** Atty. Docket No. 031098 **DISCLOSURE** Applicant(s): SATO, Takehiro **CITATION** PTO-1449 Filing Date: September 2, 2003 Group Art Unit: Unassigned **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS** Examiner Document No. Name Date Class Subclass **Filing Date** Initial (If appropriate) AA AB AC AD AE FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS Document No. Date Country Translation (Yes or No) **AF** 4-99310 03/31/1992 Japan Abstract **AG** 5-315233 11/26/1993 Japan Abstract AH 6-302507 10/28/1994 Japan Abstract ΑI 62-35264 Japan 07/31/1987 Abstract of JP60-025231 AJ 10-256139 09/25/1998 Japan **Abstract** ΑK 5-234866 09/10/1993 **Abstract** Japan OTHER DOCUMENTS AL A M

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